

Thursday, December 17, 1993

Sun Spots

Pahokee Chamber to judge decorations
Directors of the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce will be travelling by caravan on Monday night, Dec. 20, looking for the best in Christmas decorations. Judging begins at 7 p.m. with the businesses, followed by the churches, homes, boats and campers. Directors annually cover more than 35 miles.

Anyone wishing to add their business or home to the judges' list should call the chamber at 924-5579.

Reading Retreat offered at Pioneer Park Elementary
Pioneer Park's first Reading Retreat will be held on December 18 for all parents of third and fourth grade students.

On-site registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. or pre-registration can be done by calling 998-4480.

There will be a drawing for the World's Largest Christmas Stocking, and gifts from Toys for Tots will be given after the Reading Retreat.

For more information, please call Edna Stephens at 993-4480.

Magnet Program deadline nears

The Palm Beach County School District Magnet Program application period is now open. Application deadlines for high schools is January 28 and for elementary it is Feb. 25, 2000.

For more information or to receive an application, contact Berta Alvarez, Gove Elementary, at 993-1922 or Karen Schultz, Glades Central High School, at 993-4448.

Elks Lodge to hold meeting

The Belle Glade Elk's Lodge, #1716 reminds members of the meeting on Thursday, December 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Also, club members and guests are invited to a luncheon on Friday, Dec. 17 from 11:45 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Lodge, located on Avenue E, Belle Glade.



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SPRINGPORT

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Area churches to sponsor street outreach revivals to combat AIDS

By Tracy Whirls

Representatives of more than 20 area churches gathered Thursday night at Mt. Zion AME Church in Belle Glade for the organizational meeting for the SHIP Spirit 2000 project, aimed at the eradication of HIV in the new millennium.

Beginning in January, pastors in Glades area churches will read and display the "Declaration of Eradication of HIV," conduct workshops with health educators to educate members of their congregations about HIV, give sermons promoting knowledge of HIV prevention as well as promoting compassion and action to prevent the spread of the virus and then begin a series of outreach ministries in their communities, going door to door to educate the community about the illness.

Those who have pledged to perform the community outreach include: Rev. Johnny Johnson of Inspirational Church of God of South Bay; Rev. Isaac S. Jones of Mt. Zion AME Church, Belle Glade; Pastor Earl C. Poitier of Church of God in Christ, Belle Glade; Pastor Charles Deric, First Born Church of the Living God, Belle Glade; Rev. Dr. Clifford C. Davis, Wesleyan Community Holiness Church, Belle Glade; Pastor Lee Humphrey, Youth Crusade Deliverance, Belle Glade; Rev. Joseph Michel, God

of Prophecy Church, Belle Glade; Rev. David Day, Community United Methodist Church, Belle Glade; Pastor Willie James, The First Born Church of the Living God, South Bay; Father Jeremiah Reen, St. Phillip Benizi Catholic Church, Belle Glade; Rev. Daisy Hill, St. James AME, Fort Lauderdale; Rev. Morales St. Hilarie, First Baptist Haitian Mission, Belle Glade; Rev. Patricia S. Wallace, Harvest African Methodist Episcopal Church, Pahokee; Rev. Larry White, Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, Pahokee; Father John Mercantante, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pahokee and Rev. Clarence Brown, Greater St. Paul Church of God in Christ, Belle Glade.

According to the Declaration, signed by 16 ministers from area churches who gathered for the Ship Spirit conference in September, the group, assisted by Senior HIV Intervention Project Outreach Coordinator Alex Schaffer of the Broward County Health Department, a state of emergency exists in the black community.

The ministers, who pledged to bridge beliefs with knowledge and address the frailties of humanity, acknowledged:

"HIV disproportionately affects our Black communities, although it impacts the entire community, regardless of race, age, cultural, economic or spiritual affiliation.

• The African American woman is being affected at an alarming rate.

• Those infected with HIV are at times alienated from support of their families, friends and spiritual guidance, and this alienation is perpetuated by

"silence...due to stigma, lack of facts, lack of action and support."

• Facts about HIV are subject to distrust.

• Fear of stigma is contributing to fear of HIV testing.

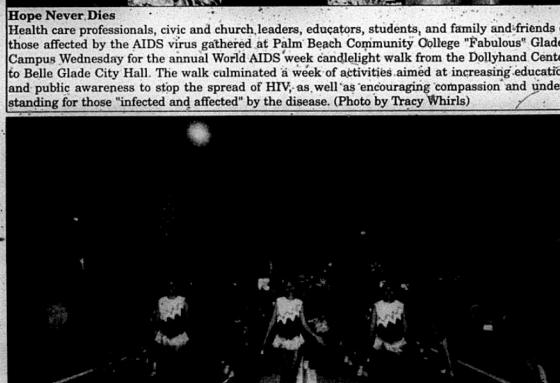
• Lack of HIV testing leads to the spread of HIV and deters early intervention and treatment.

• Lack of early treatment and support escalates illness and death.

For more information on SHIP Spirit 2000, contact one of the ministers listed above or phone Alex Schaffer at (561) 586-4843.



Hope Never Dies
Health care professionals, civic and church leaders, educators, students, and family and friends of those affected by the AIDS virus gathered at Palm Beach Community College "Fabulous" Glades Campus Wednesday for the annual World AIDS week candlelight walk from the Dollyhand Center to Belle Glade City Hall. The walk culminated a week of activities aimed at increasing education and public awareness to stop the spread of HIV, as well as encouraging compassion and understanding for those "infected and affected" by the disease. (Photo by Tracy Whirls)



Pahokee parade highlights

In the Nick of Time'

The Pahokee Middle-Senior High School's O.D. Express was voted Best Band following the 14th annual Pahokee Christmas Parade, the theme of which was, "In the Nick of Time—The New Millennium."

Other winners announced Monday included: The Grand Marshall Award—The City of Pahokee and Santa's Sleigh; Best Non-Commercial Float—St. Mary Catholic Church; Best Marching Unit—First Baptist Church and Good Shepherd Church of God and Best Motor Unit—Palm Beach County Sheriff's Van and Bike Patrol.

Judges for the '99 parade were Grand Marshal Barbara Branch, Citizen of the Year for '98; Sally Patterson, Administrator of the Pahokee Youth Development Center; and Elizabeth Hernandez, Community Relations for the Palm Beach County HCD. The parade was preceded by the "Julian Branch Festival of Lights."

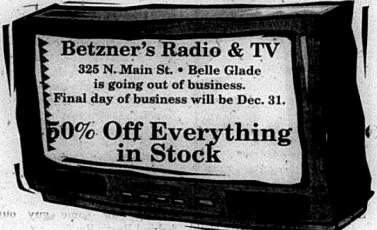
Many thanks to the volunteers who helped light up Pahokee. Special thanks to Larry Wright who singlehandedly cleaned and manicured the parade route, to Susie Feltner, who made all of the posters for the dignitaries and to all who participated in some way. The parade was well attended and the streets were lined with many enthusiastic observers. The City of Pahokee and the Chamber extend their best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a very Merry Christmas!



Pahokee Mayor Alvis Davis and his wife Sandi Davis presented their new daughter, Brea Ivey Davis to the community during the Pahokee, Belle Glade Chamber social last Thursday night. Brea was born Nov. 15, 1999, weighing 7 lbs. and 9 oz and was 21 inches long at birth. She was welcomed home by a brother, Robert Alvis Davis, II and a sister Michaela.



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How much?

"How much have the sewer and water rates gone up since the city election? Or, how much have they gone up in 1999?"

"Nobody seems to be able to tell me. Please find out and put it in the paper so we can all know."

Editor's note: City of Belle Glade Finance Director Dave Wood tells us the water and sewer rates went up 24.3 percent this year. That increase did not affect the garbage portion of your bill, nor did the cost for mosquito spraying go up.

Praise for Pahokee man

"I'm a Pahokee resident and I'm calling about a man named Larry Wright. He cleans the streets and sweeps the streets."

I talked to him the other day and found out he does not get paid by the City of Pahokee to do this. I really think this man needs to be recognized by the City of Pahokee. He needs to be given the Citizen of the Year Award or something to show our appreciation for what he is doing.

He gets out and cleans the streets and really spruces things up and I think this man deserves some recognition. Again, his name is Larry Wright."

Hats off to Commissioner Wilkerson

"In 1996 and 1998 I did not vote for Commissioner Mary Ross Wilkerson, but as I attend workshops and commission meetings I see that she is a great person with great tenacity. She asks hard questions that other commissioners may refrain from asking."

I have seen her under pressure and she's the type of commissioner who does not mind letting the public know the things she suggests to the staff and the things she wants to change for the betterment of the City of Belle Glade.

She has been criticized for wanting Belle Glade to be a cleaner place to live and work. Every time there is a clean up she is right there doing what others won't do.

If you're looking for a commissioner who speaks from the heart, look no further than Commissioner Wilkerson.

I will vote and support you in the next election and will be there supporting you. Keep up the good work.

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Belle Glade Police Department offers firework tips

With the new millennium year 2000 approaching, the Belle Glade Police Department recommends all citizens attend an organized licensed professional fireworks show, rather than ignite fireworks at home.

Under Florida Statute 790.01, fireworks that make a large noise or explosion or leaves the ground are illegal. Sparklers are not considered fireworks, but children should be supervised by an adult.

The Belle Glade Police Department would like to recommend to the citizens the following safety tips:

1. Always have an adult present when using fireworks.

2. Always read and follow the

label directions.

3. Always buy fireworks from a licensed fireworks dealer.

4. Always ignite fireworks outdoors.

5. Always have water available.

6. Light fireworks one at a time.

7. Never throw fireworks at another person.

8. Never shoot fireworks from or in metal or glass containers.

9. Never re-ignite malfunctioning fireworks.

10. Never give to small children.

11. Never experiment or attempt to make your own fire-

works.

12. Never carry fireworks in your pocket.

13. Always dispose of fireworks properly.

14. Store fireworks properly in a cool, dry place.

15. Purchase only fireworks that have been approved by the State Fire Marshal's Office and are legal in the State of Florida. Some of the illegal fireworks contain toxic chemicals and can be very dangerous.

The Belle Glade Police Department offers these safety tips to make your upcoming holidays safe and enjoyable for all the citizens of Belle Glade.

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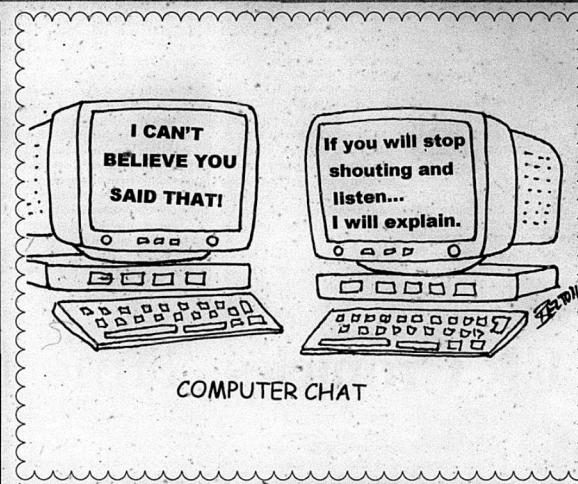
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COMPUTER CHAT

Letter to the Editor

In the Year 2000, we must be counted!

Dear Editor:

During the 2000 upcoming year, the State of Florida will have people running for 57 seats in the Florida House of Representatives, open seats in the Senate, and local elections. Therefore, candidates will come to the African American Churches seeking votes. Therefore, I hope our ministers will disseminate the following information to their congregations, not only in District 84, but the entire Palm Beach County and state of Florida.

1.) Get out the vote; By setting up highly organized and sophisticated "Get out the vote" campaigns, will insure that the millions of newly registered voters actually turn out on Election Day. This is what a lot of Republicans hope will not happen. We have been labeled as people who settle for a little and become satisfied with little, and don't go to the polls on election day.

2.) The New Law: You will not be allowed to vote without a picture ID after the year 2000. Many people feel minorities will not have a picture ID to go to the polls on Election Day. We want to prove them wrong and be prepared on election day by having a picture ID so that what happened in Miami will not happen again in the state of Florida, especially Palm Beach County.

3.) In the 2000 election: All voters who care about equality and dignity must be alerted to hold politicians accountable for their failure to act on the following key issues:

• The Hate Crime Prevention Act: The killings of people of color in Texas, Illinois and Indiana and the shooting of Jewish children in Los Angeles doesn't seem to have moved the Congress. They have yet to enact the "Hate Crime Prevention Act."

• The Community Reconstruction Act: While many Americans are prospering, the income gap between rich and poor is widening at a frightening pace. But Congress has yet to enact measures that would modernize and update the infrastructure of our communities and provide

the much-needed development funds required for job training and a brighter future.

Police Brutality: End the national disgrace of "driving while black." African American motorists are singled out and subjected to abuse and intimidation solely because of the color of their skin. But despite the national attention this issue has received, despite our pleas to end the practice, Congress has yet to deal with this issue.

• The 2000 Census: The head count of our nation which is conducted every ten (10) years is political because an undercount of the minority population directly affects our lives. Why? Because census figures are used to determine the level of federal support for schools, community development, and social service programs, and for drawing political boundaries that form Congressional districts. Census authorities have admitted that the last two national counts missed thousands of minorities. Under Congress' plans, thousands of African-Americans, Hispanics and other minorities will be missed again!

• The 2000 Census and Reapportionment: The NAACP volunteers and activists are registering new voters. The NAACP has already been in court battling former congressional leadership's attempts to maintain the undercount of minorities in the 2000 census.

Finally, during the past two election cycles, the NAACP helped increase African-American voter turnout at a time when the overall turnout of voters in the United States was substantially low. As the countdown to the 2000 election begins, each of us must do our part to insure that the trials, hard work and sacrifices of those who who the vote for us is not lost.

Sincerely,
State Representative
Addie L. Greene

The Glades Area Association for Retarded Citizens presented the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center with a plaque of appreciation for their generous donation of theatre tickets to the students at GAARC. Shown, from left are Dolly Hand Board Chairman Pepe Lopez, Center Director Leigh Woodham and presenter Greadie York, board member of the GAARC as well as the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center board.

Many left area during Hurricane Floyd



Mike Lyons

It was the largest peacetime evacuation in United States history. Over two million people jammed Florida's roads and highways as Hurricane Floyd headed for the state.

Everyone got out of harm's way but the tragic nightmare created by the evacuation triggered a chorus of criticism. Officials in Tallahassee have heard the complaints and are trying to do something about them.

Meeting last week in North Carolina with representatives from 11 other states, Florida Department of Transportation officials unveiled a new plan to improve communication and traffic during the next evacuation.

Chief among the proposals is the creation of a state-wide radio network to furnish

motorists with up-to-date traffic reports. A live state would broadcast emergency and travel information.

The 24-hour network would be the first of its kind, according to state officials. It is scheduled to launch sometime next year and would be in place for the start of the 2000 hurricane season.

Florida is also looking at using the Internet during a hurricane evacuation. North Carolina employed the World Wide Web during Hurricane Floyd to provide the latest updates on road closures due to flooding.

North Carolina developed a comprehensive Web site that reported road conditions across the state. It turned out to be valuable information since almost half the roads in North Carolina were closed because of flooding brought on by Hurricane Floyd's rains.

Another idea discussed last week is a proposal we've heard before: lane reversals. B.T. Kennedy, the former director of emergency management for Palm Beach County, has long suggested that officials consider reversing the southbound lanes of I-95 and the Florida Turnpike during a large evacuation.

The move would instantly reduce traffic congestion but reversing traffic patterns can be a logistical nightmare. "Lane reversals takes tremendous preparation, planning and advance notice," said Dick Kane of the Florida Depart-

ment of Transportation. "Often, hurricanes do not allow such an opportunity."

It does seem, however, that officials will get the opportunity to test their new proposals. Dr. William Gray issued his preliminary forecast for the 2000 hurricane season and the news is not good.

The Colorado State University scientist, who did a remarkable job predicting the 1999 hurricane season, believes the trend of active seasons will continue next year. "I think 2000 will continue the new era of increased hurricane activity, including the probability of more intense hurricanes," said Gray.

Gray predicts a total of 11 tropical storms, 7 hurricanes and three major storms will form next season. That's fewer storms than this year but still above the long term average of 9 storms, 6 hurricanes and two major hurricanes.

Gray also believes the east coast of the United States, including Florida, has a higher than normal chance of being hit by a major storm next year. "The east coast has a 45 percent chance of a major storm in 2000," said Gray. "The long-term average is 31 percent."

If Gray is right, it means another large evacuation may be just around the corner. Hopefully, the next time two million Floridians take to the roads there will be fewer traffic nightmares.

(Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WPBF-TV)



The generosity of the Glades is well-documented by abundance of toys given to the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce's Toy Drive. The toys will be given to the Salvation Army for distribution to Glades children. Shown above are Chamber Treasurer Rita Schoenfeld and Chamber Secretary and Toy Drive Chairman Gene Bair.



Glades Art Group won a first place award for having the Most Unique entry in the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce's Holiday Christmas Card event. Members of the Glades Art Group shown, from left include Jane Schoenfeld, Betty Motes, Nola Nagler, Ester Jones, Penny Lowe and Director of the Glades Art Group Ann Tyler.



Jashandria Hendrix

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate **Jashandria Hendrix** who is wanted for aggravated stalking and violation of an injunction against repeat violence.

Hendrix is a black female, 5'10" tall, and weighs 235 pounds.

She has black hair and brown eyes and her date of birth is December 19, 1975.

Her last known address was

106 Holman Court, Pahokee. Her Social Security number is 622-73-0733 and her last occupation is unknown. Her warrant was active as of December 7, 1999.

If you know the whereabouts of Jashandria Hendrix or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

Arrest Blotters

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

BELLE GLADE

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 598 complaints and gave 53 traffic citations the week of December 6-12.

Those arrested included:

December 6 - No arrests made.

December 7 - Claude Seymour, 45, aggravated stalking.

December 8 - Andrew Harold, 39, aggravated assault with intent to commit a felony and dealing in stolen property; Francisco Morales, 24, leaving the scene of an accident with injuries; Bobby L. Turner, 43, loitering and prowling, trespassing on a construction site and resisting an officer without violence; Vivian Mason, 37, failure to appear on charges of obtaining property with a worthless check.

December 9 - Nathaniel Thompson, 34, simple battery; Mark Walden, 19, armed burglary, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and resisting an officer with violence; Juvenile, 17, armed burglary, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and resisting an officer with violence; Joann Lott, 25, child neglect; Noe Gonzales, 25, trespassing.

December 10 - Juvenile, 17, possession of cocaine; Jose Riveria, 18, strong armed

robbery; Refugio Lopez, Jr., 38, warrant for failure to pay fine for not having a fresh water fishing license and contempt of court.

December 11 - Demetrius Gibson, 19, contempt of court; Domingo Sanchez, 26, possession of cocaine; Karen Williams, 22, theft; Joe McGhee, 64, possession of drug paraphernalia.

December 12 - Antelmo Calvillo, 24, uttering forged instrument; Kenneth Ellick, 45, resisting an officer without violence and possession of cocaine; Brenda Clarke, 25, warrant for aggravated stalking.

SOUTH BAY

The South Bay Police Department made 3 arrests the week of December 5-11.

Those arrested included:

December 5 - Darryl Henderson, 25, obstructing of justice.

December 6 - Adrian Thomas Williams, 43, warrant for contempt of court.

December 7 - No arrests made.

December 8 - No arrests made.

December 9 - No arrests made.

December 10 - Demaster C. Brown, 25, warrant for failure to appear for a case disposition on charges of stalking.

December 11 - No arrests made.

Holiday Savings

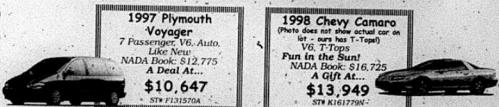


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Sixty-four employees at the Palm Beach County Department of Health were recognized for their years of service to the health department during an awards ceremony Thursday, Dec. 9. Recognized for 25 years of service were, back row, Sandra S. Daniels, Carmen M. Finney, Monica L. Best, Ernestina Lopez, Ron E. Lairsey (32 years), Dr. Vikas Virkud (5 years), Dr. Jean Maleki (presenter) and Barbara Perry. Front row, from left are Sylvia J. Jones (25 years), Mary Lewis Freeman (30 years) and Alice M. Monroe (25 years).

Palm Beach County Department of Health holds Employee Recognition Ceremony and Luncheon

Sixty-four employees of the C.L. Brumback Health Center were recognized for their dedication and service to the Palm Beach County Department of Health on Thursday, Dec. 9. Dr. Jean Maleki presented the awards to the recipients during the ceremony.

Among the employees were two outstanding individuals with thirty or more years of service.

Mary Lewis Freeman, with 30 years of service, was born in Fitzgerald, Georgia. She moved to the Glades area in 1960. She worked at the Avenue D and Pahokee Centers and continues to work at the C.L. Brumback Center. He and his wife currently reside in Canal Point. He has two daughters and a grandson. Ron says he is looking forward to retirement in about 10 years, after his 42nd

year at the Department. Others with outstanding careers at the Department of Health include:

25 years: Monica Best, Sandra Daniels, Carmen Finney, Ernestina Lopez, Alice Monroe, Sylvia Jones and Barbara Perry.

20 years: Sharon Brown, Cynthia Mike, James Threlkeld, Evangelia Souviri, David Stackhouse, Annie Griffith, and Frances Owens.

15 years: Quinn Bass, Margarita Battle, Philippe A. Bilger, Johnette Burden, Loretta Booth, Augustus Bridges, Vickie Johnson, Anita Yoder.

10 years: Priscilla Monroe, Shephrah Samant, Fannie Holmond, Kathy McElvain, Janet Lewis, Annette Williams,

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Christopher Grant, Olivia Padgett, Audrey Williams, Milta Kyles, Mary Broughton, Gloria Morrison, Melva Webb, Michael Watts.

5 years: Jacqueline Cherizard, Michael Menor, Vikas Virkud, Betty Baker, Cloverline Colquehoun, Vivienne Gillespie, Nellie Lamb, Violet Henry, Angela Timpong, Ann Nicoll, Coretha Smith, Sonia Gillaume, Janet Still, Elvia Jernigan, Marylou Powers, Thelma Maddox, Vivian Bryant, Sonja Desire, Clairicia Louisian, Cynthia McCormack, Brenda Thomas, Vernel Williams, George Oliver, Donna Ward, Henrietta Johnson and Mireya Alvarez.



Seminole Supply won first place in the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce Christmas Card contest in the "Most Christmas" category. Shown is Jennielee Threlkeld with Seminole Supply.

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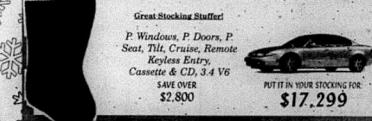
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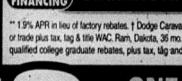
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Family Christmas A worship celebration for all ages in scripture and song, "A Family Christmas," will be presented at Community United Methodist Church on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. In one musical package, adults, youth and children join in a family-centered remembrance of Christ's birth. The program, directed by Carol Schmidt, concludes with a beautiful candlelight service. Piano and organ music before and during the program will be provided by Karen Corbin and Gloria Smith. Bring your family and friends and join in this celebration of the birth of Jesus.



Members of the Rotary Club and the Canal Point-Pahokee Ministerial Association prepared Thanksgiving baskets for the needy. Pictured are, front row, left to right, Donaia Adams Roberts and her children, Rev. James Bennett, and Julia Hale. Back row, left to right are Flavy Todd, Rev. James Brewer, Dale Ericson and Roswell Harrington.

Obituaries

Nancy Dupere, 42, died Dec. 7, 1999 in Ocala after fighting cancer for eight years. Dr. Dupere's parents, Ernestine and George Dupere, resided in Belle Glade for 39 years. Dr. Dupere is survived by her husband, a daughter, Kelly and a son, Ryan.

Alice Futch Riddon, 73, of Belle Glade died Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999 at her residence in Belle Glade. Mrs. Riddon was a nurse on the staff of Glades General Hospital for many years and a member of the Pink Ladies. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade, the Food Pantry, co-chairperson of the Bereavement Committee and a member of the Garden Club.

She is survived by four daughters, Joyce Simpson of Fairburn, Ga., Sue Anderson of Hampton, Ga., Marion Judy of Evansville, Ind., and Donna Mathews of Mableton, Ga. and ten grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1999 at the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade with Rev. Gary Folds officiating. Interment followed at the Port Mayaca Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Glades Funeral Chapel, Belle Glade.

Ella Woodard Salvatore, 98, pioneer Pahokee resident, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 1999 at her residence. A native Floridian, Mrs. Salvatore was born on Oct. 12, 1901 in Maxcott. She was married to Carmen "Pop" Salvatore, Sr., on Dec. 9, 1917 and in 1918 they moved to East Beach which would later become the City of Pahokee. They enjoyed over 76 years of marriage until his death on June 17, 1994. She was also preceded in death by a son, Carmen Salvatore, Jr.; a grandson, Richard Hodges and sons-in-law Richard "Dick" Hodges, Jack Paulette and Albert Herring.

Mrs. Salvatore is survived by three daughters, Mary Paulette, Iris Hodges and Lucilla Herron, all of Pahokee and son and daughter-in-law Milton and Jean Wilson Salvatore, Sr. of Ocala; nine grandchildren, Carmen "Skeet" Salvatore and his wife Mary Lee Adams Salvatore, Elaine Salvatore, Patricia Hodges Barzin, Milton "Woodie" Salvatore, Jr. and his wife Theresa Douglas Salvatore, John "Jackie" Paulette, Susan Salvatore, Patricia Paulette Kraft and her husband Kevin Kraft, Ronald Hodges and his wife Bebe Soller Hodges; 15 great grandchildren, Carmen "Tater" Salvatore and his wife Julie Branch Salvatore, Christine Tucker Evans and her husband Tyler Evans, Bryan Tucker and his wife Michelle Tucker, John Adam Salvatore, Jena Salvatore Beno and her husband Jimmy Beno, Don Salvatore, Joe Salvatore, Joseph Salvatore, Kara Salvatore, Kelly Salvatore, Richard Hodges, Christopher Paulette, Sean Kraft, Kristine Kraft and Brian Kraft and two great great grandchildren, Brynne Tucker and Wyatt Tucker.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1999 at the First United Methodist Church in Pahokee. Dr. Wayne Speakman, pastor, and the Rev. Gary Folds, pastor, First Baptist Church, Belle Glade, officiated. Interment followed in the Port Mayaca Cemetery. Grandsons and great grandsons served as pallbearers.

Those making an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the United Methodist Children's Home, c/o First United Methodist Church, 491 East Main Street, Pahokee, 33476.

The James A. Bennett Funeral Home, Pahokee, was in charge of arrangements.

Nonnie S. Parrish, 77, of Belle Glade died Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1999 at Glades General Hospital after a long illness. Mrs. Parrish was born in Sebring in 1922 and moved to Belle Glade from Jacksonville. She was the accountant in the family heavy equipment business. She was also a member of the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade and was a Sunday school teacher for 50 years.

Mrs. Parrish is survived by her husband, Clyde Parrish of Belle Glade; two sons, Robert C. Parrish of Valdosta, Ga. and Gary C. Parrish of Atlanta; one daughter, Karen Parrish Ellison of Belle Glade; a brother, Robert M. Davis of West Palm Beach; four sisters, Nora Abney of Okeechobee, Jessie Mondreco of Lorida, Barbara S. Dean of Belle Glade and Shirley Schiffauer of Palatka; eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 10, 1999 at the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade with the Rev. Gary Folds officiating. Interment followed at Port Mayaca Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Glades Funeral Chapel, Belle Glade.

Jeffrey Dean Rewis, 22, of Belle Glade died Dec. 11, 1999 in Pahokee. He was born in Pahokee March 3, 1977. He was employed at Oasis Tree Farm.

Jeffrey is survived by his fiance, Angie Blanco of Belle Glade; mother and step-father, Marsha and Dennis Hodges of Okeechobee; father, Herbert C. Rewis of Lyons, Ga.; two brothers, Jason and Lillian Rewis of Okeechobee and Bradley Daniel of Sheppard Air Force Base in Witchita Falls, Texas; his maternal grandmother, Bettye C. Smith of Okeechobee; maternal grandparents, Jay and Thelma Woods of Gothen, Ala.; paternal grandparents, W.H. and Mary Rewis of Lyons, Ga., as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 16, 1999 at the Okeechobee Missionary Baptist Church in Okeechobee, with Dr. Bill Privette, pastor and Rev. Ellis Dean, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Okeechobee officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery, Okeechobee. The Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Twenty Pearls donate turkeys to adoptive grandparents

The Twenty Pearls of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. donated and delivered canned goods and turkeys to their adoptive grandparents on the Eve of Thanksgiving Day to Mr. Homer Moreland of Belle Glade, Ms. Pearl Bell and Ms. Dasie Clark, both of South Bay.

A special thanks to all The Twenty Pearls and sponsors who made it possible for our adoptive grandparents to have a wonderful dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

The food was delivered by Twenty Pearls-Erica Bass and Dasie Clark, both of South Bay.

Latrenia Bass and Second Anti-Basileus Sharon Brown of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. The daughter of Ms. Bass, Devin Williamson and the brother of Tameka Hanna, Jackquan Brown also took part in delivering the food.

Military news

During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree



Erica S. Cummings

Air Force Airman Erica S. Cummings has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Teacher named to Who's Who

Lake Shore Middle School teacher Dolores O. Robinson was selected by the Board Advisors of Who's Who in America to be included in the year 2000 Millennium Edition where her biography will be included.

Ms. Robinson's selection was based on her many educational, business and community involvements and accomplishments.

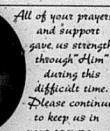
On December 31, our son was called home to be with the Lord. Since

that time, there has been such an outpouring of "His" love through

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With Deep Appreciation,

The Family of Jason Earl Morris



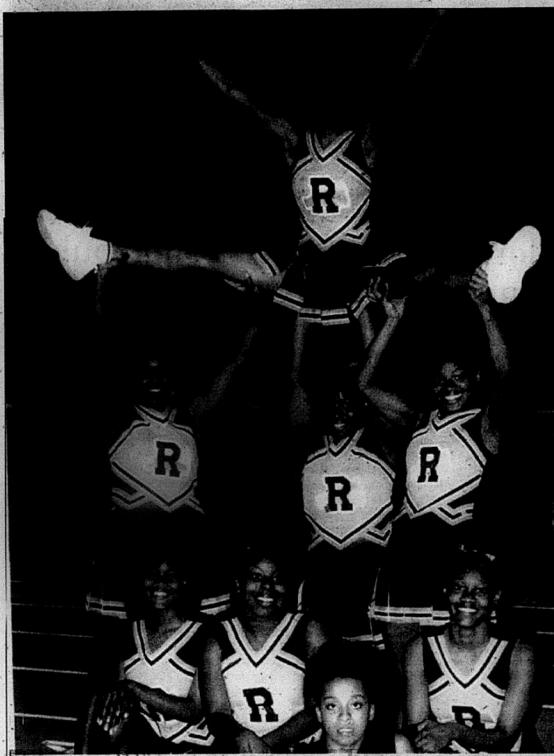
All of your prayers and support gave us strength through this difficult time. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

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Sports this week



The Raiders varsity cheerleaders celebrate the win that will take them to Gainesville.

Raiders state bound

The Glades Central Raiders varsity football team is state-bound, after defeating Haines City last Friday night 34-22, they'll face Suwanee High School this Friday in the state 3A finals.

Head Coach Milton Watson attributed the win to the outstanding performance of the Raiders defensive line.

Among the key plays of the game, the coach said were a touchdown by Senior Santonio Thomas who striped the ball out from under a Haines City running back. Also noteworthy was a pass reception by Reggie Vickers who carried the ball roughly 30 yards for a touchdown and scored a second touchdown as well as a kick off return. Carlton Baker and William Beckford also had good games defensively, the coach said.

Asked what the team can expect when they travel to Gainesville to face Suwanee High, at 2 p.m. Friday, Coach Watson said they have a good football team.

"They're pretty balanced, they've got a good offense, some good skilled people, good special teams and a good defense. They're not overly big, but they're quick and they seem to be well coached," Coach Watson said.

The coach said the Raiders, who are 14-0 as they go into the finals, also have good special teams and need to continue to play good all around defense.

"They have to play great football like they have the previous weeks. We have to score, we have to put up a tough defense and not make mistakes," the coach said.



'Big A's' offensive player of the week was Santonio Thomas. Santonio, who was recently voted a finalist for player of the year, points northward as the Raiders are statebound following the win.



Athletic director Jay Sieder tells Curtis Holley, the quarterback to bring the championship back to the muck.



Head Coach Watson and Dean McDonald, the play-by-play announcer for the Raiders, dance on the sidelines.



Raiders are still number 1!



After the win Santonio Thomas and team mates tried to ice Head Coach Milton Watson, but the coach was too fast and ducked out of the way.

Players, coaches finalists for awards

Two local football players and coaches for both Belle Glade High Schools were among the finalists for the eighth annual Florida Dairy Farmers Mr. Football and Coach of the Year awards.

Glades Central Senior Santonio Thomas received a total of 23 votes for Class 3A player of the year honors.

Glades Day's Josh Kannel earned 41 points and was named a

finalist for Class 1A Player of the Year honors.

Glades Central Head Football Coach Milton Watson earned 54 points and was named a finalist for the Coach of the Year Award for Class 3A schools.

Glades Day Coach Pete Waler received 37 votes and is a finalist for the Class 1A Coach of the Year Award.

Winners of the Mr. Football and

Coach of the Year will be announced at halftime of the class 5A state championship game Friday, Dec. 17 from Ben Hill Griffin Stadium in Gainesville.

The finals will be broadcast on SportsChannel Florida in Belle Glade on Adelphi Channel 25 on Dec. 21 at 9:30 p.m. and again at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Day. They can be viewed on DirecTV 634, Dish Net 423 and Primestar 186.



Glades Central wrestler Kurtavious Ball on his way to a win during one of his matches at the Palm Beach Gardens Invitational last Saturday.

Four Raider wrestlers place in Palm Beach Gardens Invitational

The Glades Central Raiders wrestling team kicked off their 1999 season by taking ninth place at the Palm Beach Gardens Invitational, Saturday, Dec. 11 with four Raider wrestlers placing against wrestlers from 18 schools.

Sophomore Willis McCain earned second place in the 189 lb. class. Junior Omar Cross placed third in the 125 lb. class. Sophomore Kurtavious Ball also earned

third place in the 140 lb. class and junior Sidney DeSamocer took fourth place in his division after losing a match by two points in overtime.

Head wrestling coach Frank Lasagna said several other wrestlers did well and scored some points, but weren't able to make it over the hump of placing.

"We have an awful lot of inexperienced kids wrestling now," Coach

Lasagna said, noting that the team should perform even better as the new wrestlers gain experience and some veteran wrestlers return after football season ends.

"We hope to have several returning wrestlers who're still playing football now and as the young ones learn more about technique and conditioning and what it takes they'll become better," Coach Lasagna said.

Cat Talk From Gove Elementary

Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for being selected, by their teachers, as Students of the Month for the month of November: Kindergarten: Yeny Nunez, Victor Carrizales, Manar Ali, Roberto Panigra, Garrett Collier, and Cobie Carter. First grade: Allison Doney, Johnathan Williams, Dolores Ruiz, Barry Johnson, Amarilis Ramos, Jesse Hernandez and Yasmin Romero. Second grade: Ines Velasco, Maricela Silva, Annette Silva, Ashley Arroyo, and Maria Alcalá; Third grade: Israel Alonso, Jessica Baltazar, Courtney Owens, and Frisco Barber; Fourth grade: James Oliva, Maria Carrizales, Ashley Teltner, Rigoberto Moreno, Jessica Samuels, Angel Escobedo, and Cynthia Orsengio; Fifth grade: Laquinetta Smith, Emilio Reyes, Wayne Johnson and Luke Woodman; Sixth grade: Danielle Powell, Salvador Flores, Jacoby Carrigan, Sherie Abraham, Angel Nunez and Antonio Matos. Again, congratulations!

William Dwyer Nominees

A special congratulations to Ellen Smith (P.E.) and Gail Zavala (ESE) for being selected by the faculty for the William Dwyer Award. The purpose of this award is to honor outstanding educators from public and private schools in Palm Beach County, to increase awareness of the quality educators teaching in our community and to encourage all residents to promote and support high standards of excellence in public education. We are very proud of these two teachers and wish them the best of luck!

Food for Families

A special thanks to the students and faculty of Gove Elementary for their generous donation of food to the Food for Families of the Glades drive. A total of 550 pounds was collected. The food donated by our school will provide food baskets for 40 families and assist other food pantries in the area. Again, thanks for your compassion and generosity.

Take Our Parents to School Week

Special thanks to all the 544 parents and grandparents who came to visit our school during "Take Our Parents to School Week." It was a wonderful week and enjoyed by all!

ESE Update

Last Friday was a wonderful day for the ESE students at Gove Elementary. The Junior National Honor Society of Glades Day School brought gifts to the ESE students as part of their service project. In appreciation for their generosity, the ESE department in conjunction with the Family Center, treated the students to a breakfast. On behalf of the ESE students and teachers, a big thanks to the members of the Junior National Honor Society and their sponsor, Mrs. Angie Lohmann.

Attention parents

Gove Elementary will be earning education and athletic equipment by participating in Campbell's Labels for education program. You can help by saving labels from hundreds of varieties of Campbell's products you use every day including Campbell's soups, Franco American Spaghetti Os, Pepperidge Farms products, Prego, Swanson, V-8 and others. The school can also earn five additional bonus labels for every Campbell's 28 oz. condensed family size soup label collected.

Upcoming events

There will be a meeting of the SAC committee, Thursday, Dec. 16 at 6:30 p.m. There will be a FCAT Home Activities Workshop Monday, Dec. 20 at 6 p.m.



Seasons Greetings and an invitation from the tutors, students and friends of the Palm Beach County Library Literacy Project! If you know of someone who would like to learn to read or if you would like to help someone, call Pat Rogan at 996-3453.

Florida Atlantic to bring public management program to Glades

The College of Architecture, Urban and Public Affairs (CAUPA) of Florida Atlantic University will offer a public management course (PAD 3104) Organizational Behavior (OB) starting in January 20-20. This course will be offered at the Palm Beach Community College "Fabulous" Glades campus. It will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. beginning Jan. 13.

The Organizational Behavior class gives individuals much needed information about dealing with organizational politics in businesses and government agencies. Students will be able to understand

West Tech student finalist in Johnson and Wales baking competition

Jennifer Smith, a ninth grader at West Technical Center in Belle Glade, spent the weekend of Nov. 13th at Johnson and Wales University recreating her winning gingerbread house.

Jennifer was one of ten finalists

how politics, human resource issues, group dynamics, individual philosophies and leadership skills affect behaviors and outcomes within organizations.

This course may be taken for personal development, or as a possible elective in other degree programs, or for application to Bachelor of Public Management degree at FAU. The Bachelor of Public Management degree is beneficial to those who are interested in a career in government, non-profit organizations, law enforcement, corrections, social services, health and/or hospital administration, and many areas of private business and education.

Florida Atlantic University has made arrangements for on-site registration at the PBCC "Fabulous" Glades Campus, a convenience to students. Textbooks will be available through the PBCC "Fabulous" Glades Campus bookstore.

Please contact Mary Margaret Kraut at the College of Architecture, Urban and Public Affairs at 1-800-764-2222 ext. 61024 for further information.

from 100 statewide entries presented with a \$500 annual tuition scholarship and gift certificates from Aventura Mall, which co-sponsored the event. Jennifer's gingerbread house, and those of the other finalists were judged on use of in-

gredients, originality, creativity and presentation, in addition to kitchen organization and sanitation. Jennifer's gingerbread house will be among those on display at Aventura Mall for the month of December.

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The Main Street Carollers made their debut performing for the Belle Glade-Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Mixer last Thursday at First Community Bank of Pahokee. Pictured are, from left to right, Marion Hatton, Barbara Branch, Shirley Jarriel, Holly Branch, Wayne Jarriel, Sandra Jarriel, Dr. R.L. Hatton, Faith Sasser, J.P. Sasser, Becky Bush and Alice Thompson.

West Tech and BellSouth start internship

The Academy of Applied Technology has 33 students from ninth through twelfth grade. The feeder schools for this Academy are Royal Palm Beach High School, Glades Central High School, and Pahokee High School.

Each academy student has the opportunity to develop the necessary skills in reading and math to pass the BellSouth employment test.

These high school students are using the latest technology in learning basic electricity/electronics. Students participated in a design/build work station project for the

lab area by using team building skills, brainstorming and job sharing activities that focused on real work scenarios.

Dave Gallo, academy instructor, and Jason Phillips, BellSouth coordinator, prepare students in employability skills, safety, identification, selection and safe operation of hand and power tools, blueprint reading, cabling and terminations.

This academy will create opportunities for 11th grade students to enter into an internship with BellSouth to work after school hours. BellSouth selects their candi-

dates through an interview process which incorporates the necessary employability skills required.

West Tech Career Academy celebrates in the achievement of Samuel Warren and Jason Laramore for passing the BellSouth General Qualification and Basic Electricity, employment test. Both students have completed the first step toward full-time employment as technicians at BellSouth.

For more information, call the school at (561) 996-4930 (Ext 44995).

A Chance to win tickets to the Super Bowl

Deuce Deuce For Kids is a nonprofit organization founded by Jimmy Spencer (#22 of the San Diego Chargers) to fund activities for children of Belle Glade. Our Summer 2000 project will fund camping activities that may be, but not limited to, athletic, educational and recreational sleep away camps.

Our goal is to send 100 children between the ages of 8-17 to a summer camp. By sending these children to summer camp, we are exposing them to

different people, activities and new environments. We are also giving them an opportunity to learn social and leadership skills within a sport or educational field in which they are interested.

Please help us with our goal for Summer 2000 by purchasing raffle tickets to win (2) tickets to Super Bowl 2000 in Atlanta, Ga. Transportation, room and board not included. Winner need not be present to win. The drawing will be held

in Belle Glade, Jan. 8, 2000 at 2 p.m. at the Belle Glade Municipal Center.

This fund raiser is being co-sponsored by Mt. Rhine Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Cost of the raffle tickets is \$10. If you would like to purchase tickets, please contact Sarah Spencer at (561) 996-5056 or Joan Bass at (561) 996-6343.

All contributions are tax deductible.

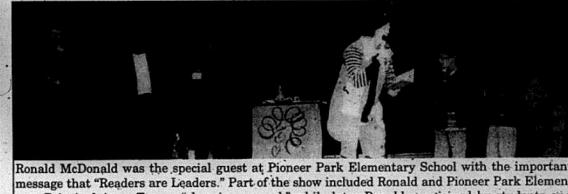
McDonalds supports local school projects



Glades area McDonalds owner/operator Steve Nisbet presents 'Readers are Leaders' Bookmarks to Belle Glade Elementary School Principal Glenda Garrett. McDonald's is participating with all Glades area elementary schools to improve student reading. When a student reads ten books they bring their bookmark into McDonald's and receive a free hamburger or cheeseburger.



Glades area McDonalds owner/operator Steve Nisbet presents coupons for free Big Mac Extra Value Meals and free Happy Meals to Fire Chief Steve Rice. Coupons are used as prizes for ongoing fire prevention programs in the Belle Glade Area schools.



Ronald McDonald was the special guest at Pioneer Park Elementary School with the important message that "Readers are Leaders." Part of the show included Ronald and Pioneer Park Elementary Principal Anne Turner "clowning around" while later Ronald was joined by students and teachers for fun and games.



New Cadette Troop Members of Jr. Troop 719 recently attended the Living Christmas Tree program at the Dolly Hand Center. Pictured, back row, left to right, Milande Sinsurin, Alainita Alein, Shayla Samuel, Barbara Bowlin, Sister Laura, Jessica Mezil, Emenide Nicolas and Melvin Guillame; front row, left to right, Karen Desir, Caridad Alvarez, Zoila Rivera and Brownie Scout Martha Rivera.

New Girl Scout Troop forms in Belle Glade

On November 24, a new Girl Scout troop formed in Belle Glade- Cadette Troop 77. The girls who attend middle school are Cadettes: Michelle Laborde, Merana Samuel, Sandy Laborde, Benette Francois, Manetide Delice, Ngathalie Adonis, Rose Pettithome, Judith Sainsurin, Micheline Alcin, Angie Bois, Manouchecha Desir, Johnnie Edwards and Jeronime Eustache. Nicole Mamene, who attends Glades Central, is Senior Scout. The adult leaders of the troop are Isidra Robles, Joanne James, and Sister Laura Cavanaugh.

Most of the new troop were former members of Junior Girl Scout Troop 719. To mark this transition, the new members of Troop 719 who waved goodbye as the Cadettes bridged out of their troop, are Barbara Boulin, Milande Sinsurin, Carline Paul, Emenide Nicholas, Melvin Buissereth, and Alainita Alcin.

The fifth grade members of Troop 719 who waved goodbye as the Cadettes bridged out of their troop, are Barbara Boulin, Milande Sinsurin, Carline Paul, Emenide Nicholas, Melvin Buissereth, and Alainita Alcin.

Junior Troop 719 and their leaders Sister Laura, Melissa Reyes, Mireya Alvarez and Nathalia Nava then welcomed new fourth grade members who also climbed over the same bridge from their old troop- Brownie Troop 714.

The new members of Troop 719 are Zoila Rivera, Paular Paul, Caridad Alvarez, Genesse Isaac, Melvia Guillame, Jessica Mezil, Shayla Samuel, and Karen Desir.

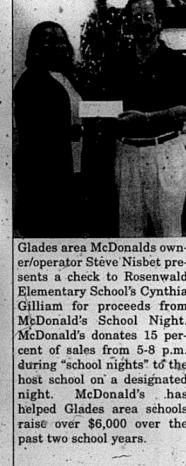
The new Juniors left behind Brownies Marta Rivera, Jasmine Aguirre, Yammine Casas, Jackie Garza, Gabriele Palavoda, Shelia Mere, and their leaders Becky Nichols, Becca Schlieffer, and Stelme Depreux and Gloria Rodriguez.



Glades View Elementary students present 'Turkey Day' play

Fourth grade students in Mrs. Boldin's class at Glades View Elementary School performed a Thanksgiving play called "Turkey Day" for the student body.

The students, with the support from the reading specialist, Mrs. Stigall, and the drama teacher, Mrs. Flores, created their own costumes and scenery, memorized their parts, rehearsed after school and presented an entertaining show.



Glades area McDonalds owner/operator Steve Nisbet presents a check to Rosenwald Elementary School's Cynthia Gilliam for proceeds from McDonald's School Night. McDonald's donates 15 percent of sales from 5-8 p.m. during "school nights" to the host school on a designated night. McDonald's has helped Glades area schools raise over \$6,000 over the past two school years.

Legal Aid Society receives \$200,000 quantum grant for Western Communities Educational Empowerment Initiative

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County's Juvenile Advocacy Project will launch a new community initiative aimed at improving the academic opportunities and achievement levels of at-risk elementary public school students in the Glades area of Palm Beach County. Legal Aid was awarded a \$200,000 grant from the Quantum Foundation to fund the Western Communities Educational Empowerment Initiative, a two year pilot project that will focus on early intervention and preventing failure and drop-out within the Glades' disadvantaged student population.

Legal Aid's Juvenile Advocacy Project (JAP) has actively

represented the rights of disabled students in public educational matters since 1991. The project aims to address numerous problems within exceptional student education, many of which are expressed in three separate reports: The Children's Services Council's (CSC): "State of the Child in Palm Beach County 1998," and the National Coalition of Advocates for Students (NCAS) and the Community Alliance for Reform in Education's (CARE): "A Gathering Storm: How Palm Beach County Schools Fail Poor and Minority Students" (May 1998 and June 1999). Legal Aid's Educational Empowerment Initiative is the first

community program response to those reports.

Central to the initiative is a component that will empower parents, educators and community leaders with the knowledge and confidence to advocate on behalf of their disabled children and ensure that every child receives the kind of support and services they need to achieve academically. "The family and community play an important role in this project," said Bob Bertsch, Legal Aid's executive director. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ensures that children with functional, emotional and learning disabilities are provided with the best opportunity to succeed in the public school system. Now we must give families the kind of information they need to advocate under the law. We know that without proper advocacy, many children are not receiving the free, appropriate public education they are entitled to, which places them at risk for truancy, delinquency and drop-out."

The project's Educational Advocates will be assigned to seven elementary schools within the Glades where they will work one-on-one with individual students, parents and teachers to identify inappropriate assessments and placements. When problems are identified, corrective action will be taken. The Advocate will also conduct community outreach activities aimed at teaching adults to recognize learning-related disabilities in children, instructing them about where to go for help, and educating them about improving their involvement in their children's education through proper advocacy. This crucial outreach component will include a videotape series in English, Spanish and Creole to support the live presentations.

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc., a United Way agency, is a private nonprofit 501(c) organization dedicated to providing free civil legal services to disadvantaged individuals and families living in Palm Beach County. Legal Aid was founded in 1949 with a single attorney and today administers 14 programs that serve more than 6,000 clients each year.

The Quantum Foundation, formed from the sale of JFK Hospital in 1995 to Columbia Healthcare Corporation, is Palm Beach County's largest foundation, with assets of approximately \$155,000,000.

Quantum makes grants in the areas of health, education and community betterment.



Decorating in front of the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce...Children from the Palm Beach County Head Start, Palm Glades, get help decorating their tree by bus driver Teresa Sanchez. Each year, local agencies make Christmas decorations and put them on the trees to celebrate the holidays.

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Murder/From Page 1

"He was supposed to be home after he got off work by 1 p.m. His girlfriend became concerned and called the police," Detective Moreno said.

Anyone who may have seen Mr. Lewis, or the white pick up truck with the Oasis Tree Farm logo he was driving, between noon Saturday and midnight is urged to call the Palm

Beach County Sheriff's Office at 996-1670.

The Pahokee Chamber of Commerce has collected \$3000 from area business to fund a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspect in the Lewis murder, as well as the as yet unsolved murders of Angel Vazquez Roblero, 42, and Abel Dario Lopez, 20, whose bodies

were found at 170 Barfield Highway Nov. 18.

Funeral services for Mr. Lewis were held Thursday, Dec. 16, at the Okeechobee Missionary Baptist Church in Okeechobee.

He is survived by his fiance, Angie Blanco of Belle Glade; mother and step-father, Marsha and Dennis Hodges of Okeechobee; and father, Herbert C. Lewis of Lyons, Ga. and two brothers.

South Bay/From Page 1

work out his problem.

In other business the commissioners:

•Approved a proclamation naming Ms. Susie Mae Brown an admired, respected and loyal pioneer. City manager Jackson presented Ms. Brown with flowers on behalf of the com-

mission.

•The commissioners approved a request from Street Beat, after school arts program, to hold a New Year's Eve concert in the park in front of City Hall.

•City Manager Jackson told commissioners that work should begin on the Brady park

project within the month.

•Mr. Jackson told commissioners demolition of the old post office building has been postponed because county funds are currently not available for the project. City Development director Hayward is working to secure funding for the project, Mr. Jackson said.

Pahokee Commissioner/From Page 1

never intended to regulate yard sales," he said.

Resident Phyllis Thompson, who brought the issue before the commission in the form of a letter, said West Palm Beach allows residents to host yard sales on their property for a \$5 permit fee with permission of the property owner. Belle Glade allows residents to hold two yard sales a year, she said.

Commissioner Babb suggested that the ordinance could be reworded to make a distinction between those selling new items at a discount, and the regular yard sale, in which people sell used clothing and other items. He noted that in a depressed economy, many residents rely on the yard sales to raise needed money for their families.

The commissioners said the date for the proposed workshop could be announced at a later date, so interested citizens could attend and give their input.

In other business, Mr. Schenck told the commissioners that he and Mayor Alvis Davis had discussed the possibility of securing champion cities grant funding to construct a new tower at the lake shore, with various officials during the recent tri-city barbecue.

Mayor Davis said the tower would give visitors using the Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail a viewing platform overlooking the lake, and could host a remote television camera feeding weather, lake conditions and fishing information to area television stations, promoting the area to out of town visitors.

Mr. Davis said the idea generated a lot of interest among county and state officials, who are reviewing funding applications for the scenic trail.

"Imagine if Channel 5 were to broadcast pictures of the sunset over the lake at Pahokee. It's not such a grandiose idea, but it would draw attention to Pahokee. We need something to attract people here, and the bike trail is the biggest attraction we have. We need to take advantage of that every way we can," Mayor Davis said.

Commissioner Babb said if such a tower were to be constructed, safety should be the primary consideration, noting that the old tower had been the site of a suicide before it was demolished.

He also said the city would have to consider the cost of maintaining the facility, even if its construction were funded with grant money.

Commissioner Crawford said the city must review its priorities first and decide if such a project is a priority before seeking grant funding for it.

The consensus of the commissioners was that the project merited further consideration, but no action was taken. Mayor Davis had asked that the commissioners consider approving a resolution at a later date to explore the construction, and to ask Craig A. Smith and Associates to provide a preliminary design and cost estimate for the project.

In other business, the commissioners voted to postpone their regularly scheduled Dec. 28 meeting because of the holidays. They will next meet Jan. 11 at city hall at 7:30 p.m.

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Boynton Beach Mall	January 18	Congress Ave. 11:00am - 4:00 pm	*Century Village/Boca	February 9	4445 Clubhouse Rm F; Lyons Road
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Please call or visit the office nearest you (listed above) for further information.

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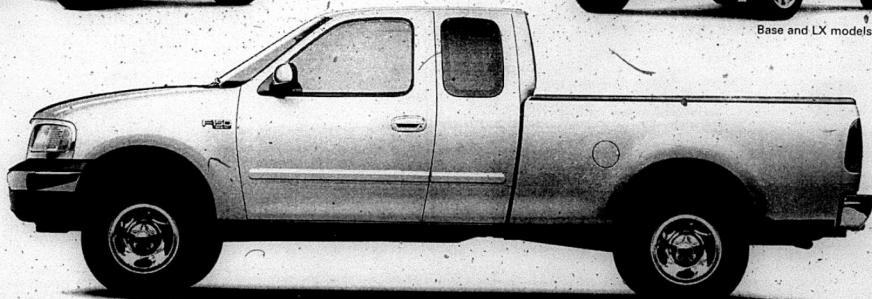


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